

WATER OUGHT TO BE BOILED

HEALTH OFFICER ALLEN ISSUES A STATEMENT.

Says That the Vile Taste and Odor of Water is Caused by Decayed Vegetable Matter Washed into the Supply Streams by the Heavy Rain and Advises Boiling as a Precaution—Bacteriological Examination of the Impregnated Water is to be Made.

Superintendent W. E. Allen, of the bureau of health, in an official statement given out last night, advises that the contaminated water now being furnished to a large part of the city by the Scranton Gas and Water company be boiled before being used for drinking purposes.

Dr. Allen has not yet been able to determine positively whether the water is inimical to health or not, and his advice regarding boiling is purely of a precautionary nature. Samples of the water will be taken on the annual inspection tour, which is to be made next Monday, and these will be sent to the state board of health for bacteriological examination. The doctor's statement is as follows:

Scranton is supplied with water from three streams, the Providence Water company, the Stafford Meadow Brook and the Roaring Brook, which feeds the reservoir at Elmhurst and furnishes water to the greater part of the central city and Green Ridge. I have inspected all of these systems and find no trouble with any but the Roaring Brook. This stream arises from two heads, one of which is a lamora swamp, containing many large living sphagnum, with the water is continually clear and free from the immense amount of water which came down so rapidly on Saturday night. The whole swamp being a peat and the leaves and decaying vegetable matter incident to swamps were carried into the stream, causing the water to taste and smell fishy. Boiling this water does not improve its taste, but it kills the disease germs, if there are any, and I think for drinking or for ordinary purpose none but boiled water should be used.

The second inspection will be made in a few days and the water will be sent for chemical and bacteriological examination to the state board of health.

Superintendent Robert Reeves, of the water company, reported yesterday that the reservoirs containing the impregnated water were gradually clearing up and said that it would not be long before the water is back to its original and normal condition again.

The water in Lakota Scranton is not affected with the disagreeable taste and could be turned into the city mains, if needed. The water in the other reservoirs, however, would have to be drained off some time and the company officials are of the opinion that the patrons might as well suffer a little inconvenience now as later on.

There was no apparent diminution in the extreme offensiveness of the water yesterday, though there were some who claimed that it did not taste quite as bad as the day before.

INQUEST IN THE MAY CASE.

Jury Finds a Rather Non-Committal Sort of a Verdict.

Coroner Roberts conducted an inquest yesterday afternoon, in the grand jury room of the court house, in the case of William May, the engineer, Lackawanna and Western engineer, who died from injuries received by being caught between the engine and a car in the Clark's Summit yard on July 12.

The first witness called was Thomas Sloan, who was at the time on the engine when the accident occurred. His testimony was of little consequence, as he did not see the accident. Conductor Owen Case testified that May told him after the accident occurred that he may have believed he had been leaning out too far.

Thomas Murray, a brakeman on the train, first saw May lying between the tracks, where he was found after the accident. His head was injured on the right side. In explanation, Murray testified that he saw May leaning out of the window of the engine room for him to walk between the two trains after the accident occurred. He did not see the accident.

James Keenan, the rear brakeman, testified that the train was running about four or five miles an hour when the accident occurred. He saw May lying between the tracks, but did not know just how he was injured.

J. B. Talbot, yard master at Clark's Summit, was next sworn. He made a pencil sketch of the tracks in the yard there, and testified that May told him that he thought he smelled a "hot pin" and leaned out to see where it was.

Elmer W. Brown, traveling engineer of the Lackawanna railroad, testified to having made an examination of the engine the next morning after the accident occurred, and said he found marks leading from in front of the tank, and in his judgment May was not in the cab at the time of the accident, but had been out on the running board and leaned over to see where the "hot pin" was.

Engineer M. J. McLoughlin, who ran Engine No. 846, the one on which May had been riding, was next sworn. He testified that the 800-class engine is wider than the small engines used by the company, but that he never had any difficulty in passing the switches at Clark's Summit. He also found traces of the accident on the engine.

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ALL KINDS OF SPORTS

CARBONDALE CRESCENTS TO PLAY HERE SATURDAY.

Manager Southard's Team is Booked for Pottsville, Tuesday and Wednesday, and Plays Wilkes-Barre Later in the Week—Scranton Gun Club's Shoot—Wilkes-Barre Oarsmen Returns Home After Rowing on the University of Pennsylvania Crew.

Manager Southard has secured a fine attraction for Saturday afternoon's ball game at Athletic park, in the Carbondale Crescents, who will play his semi-professional team.

The Carbondale nine is a fast one, and has on it several splendid players, among whom is Dan Hodgins, the big half back of the St. Thomas foot ball eleven of last fall.

The Scranton team will line-up as follows: Wirth, c.; Crossin, p.; Gaughan, lb.; Weil, b.; McHugh, s.s.; Bradley, 3b.; Crane, r.f.; Calkin, c.f.; Ferris, l.f.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of next week the team will play at Pottsville, and on Saturday Wilkes-Barre's strong amateur team will be the attraction at the park.

Carbondale's batting order will be as follows: Huff, first base; Murray, third base; Harris, short stop; Emmett, center field; Hart, second base; Boland, left field; Hull, right field; Tracy, Lofthouse or Moran, catcher; Smith or Hossling, pitcher.

Scranton Gun Club's Shoot.

At the Scranton Gun Club's grounds the fourth contest for the Peters' Cartridge company's silver trophy took place Saturday afternoon, over their Magazutrap (magazine-trap), which is a complicated and very expensive machine, operated by bicycle, the target gets being released by an electric pull and thrown in unknown angles at lightning speed. The shooters line up on a platform in a semi-circle about ten feet apart, each shooting in turn, and the speed is so great that, even though changing positions in regular order after each five shots, 125 shots can be run off in less than fifteen minutes.

This amusement has become the club's popular feature, and among the club's members are numbered the very best of Scranton's citizens who for outdoor amusement have adopted shooting in preference to golf. The Peters trophy has been closely contested for all the season, but has now narrowed down to the high average men in the several contests and the result of Saturday's shoot places the much coveted prize now within the reach of but three or four men whose scores have been a succession of high averages.

The scores of Saturday are as follows: H. C. Cullen, 50 out of 50; R. E. Westlake, 49 out of 50; J. Nichols, 44 out of 50; E. Hittenbender, 39 out of 50; Dr. Winebrake, 36 out of 50; I. Shoemaker, 35 out of 50; Dr. Dolan, 33 out of 50; E. J. Jinks, 31 out of 50.

Wilkes-Barre Oarsmen Home.

The Wilkes-Barre Oarsmen has the following account of the return home of Fuller Davenport, a member of the University of Pennsylvania crew: Fuller Davenport, of the University of Pennsylvania crew, arrived in this city last evening from Philadelphia. He arrived with the other oarsmen who compose the world famous crew, from the Henley regatta, on Sunday afternoon. Accompanying him were John Carter, skipper, William Gardner, No. 7, of Cleveland, O.; S. Allen, of Connecticut, and Luther Smith, of New York.

To a New representative Davenport gave the statement that in his opinion the Americans lost because of the superiority of the English crew, and not because of the want of speed in the several races. He averaged seven pounds heavier, and while some of the Pennsylvania boys and only one or two years experience, few of the containing crew had more than six weeks acquaintance with the oars. The course was all right and the authorities proved themselves equal to the task of making it the best kept course ever met with by the Americans. No boats or rowers were allowed on it, and this was a relief to all interested.

The Nichols Brothers, according to Mr. Davenport, are the best oarsmen in Great Britain, and, as it is called, is the best in the world, though the Englishmen cannot be convinced of this fact. After the race, Mr. F. Allen, No. 6, was elected captain, and Luther Smith was elected coxswain. Both will serve during the ensuing year. Mr. Davenport will spend some time with relatives and return to P. in October.

Sporting Brevitates.

Peter Eagen, Scranton's old folder, is hitting the ball hard in the New York State league.

Dan Kervin, of last year's local team, is playing good ball for the Chester Athletics.

Two players named Davis are surprising the base ball world this year. Lefty Davis, whom Hanlon released from Brooklyn early in the season, because he couldn't hit, is hammering the hide off the ball for Pittsburgh, and leads the team's outfielders in clean playing games. Harry Davis, who was dropped into the Eastern league a couple of years ago by Pittsburgh, after being released by New York, is gaining a reputation as being one of the crack first basemen of the American league, and is pressing Lajoie and Seybold hard, for the slugging honors of the Philadelphia team.

If the season lasts long enough, New York has a magnificent opportunity to finish eighth.

This is a great year for pitching phenoms, and the American league clubs seem to have been particularly lucky in acquiring them. Plank, Winters, McNeil, Brocken and Moore are all young twirlers of the first class.

"Wahoo" Sam Crawford, of Cincinnati, leads the National League in long drives. He has accumulated a bunch of thirteen home runs, thus far, besides numerous three and two baggers. Crawford is the young man who swears by all that's mighty he cannot beat while his hair is long, and, as a result, has it cut on an average of once a week.

A Russian contestant who is in this country on a mission to buy fast runners and trotters for the Czar, recently met Elwood Smith, the well-known

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WANT STORES TO CLOSE.

Central Labor Union Makes an Appeal to Merchants.

The following appeal is sent out by the Central Labor Union:

An Appeal to the Merchants of Scranton, Pa., by the Central Labor Union and all Affiliated Unions, and Organized in General.

September 2, Labor day, is a national and state holiday, observed generally everywhere as a labor holiday, and whereas, organized labor of Scranton and vicinity has designated the above day for a monster demonstration, and an excursion to Lake Loder, we the Central Labor Union of Scranton, kindly request the merchants of this city to close their place of business on the above date, in order to make this day labor's holiday in fact and not in name only, and also to give their employees and members of organized labor an opportunity to join us in our celebration. By granting this, our request, we will endeavor to reciprocate the favor to those who have respected our wishes.

WILL FORESTALL HIM.

Correspondence Schools to Apply for a Charter.

Application is to be made to the governor Sept. 12, next, for a charter for the International Correspondence School of Scranton, by T. J. Foeter, R. J. Foster, E. H. Lull, J. K. Griffin, W. L. Connell, T. H. Watkins, Stanley P. Allen, Thomas Fisher and David Cottle, the men comprising the school's directorate.

It is said that a Chicago man has conceived the idea of taking out a charter for the "International Correspondence Schools of Scranton," with a view of forcing the company to buy it from him. To forestall him, the company seeks to secure the charter. There is hardly a question but that the application of the Scranton men will be granted, and that of the Chicago man ignored.

That the schools were not chartered ere this is due to the fact that they are the outgrowth of the Colliery Engineering company, a chartered institution, and the need of a charter was never felt.

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Another Rummage Sale

Friday, Saturday, Monday.

We have concluded to repeat our great Rummage Sale, because there were hundreds we could not serve and thousands who did not know of the bargains offered until their friends showed them the goods purchased then it was too late to buy. Comparison will prove that this is almost a new assortment of goods.

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Linings.

Genuine German Hair Cloth, 13; Shrunken Canvas, 18; 15c. Colored Percale, all shades, 10; 12c. Fast Black Percale, 10; 20c. Fancy Black Selisia, 10; Moroccan Skirting, All Wool, Black, 25.

Notions.

Lace Pins, card 12 pins, 15; Shirt Waist Sets, card of 6, 15; Lawn and Mercerized Stocks, 12c; Beautiful Striped Grenadine Ribbon, 10; Oriental Lace, 6 to 9 inches, 25c. to 40c., 15; Black Chantilly Laces, 25c., 20c., 18c., 15c., for, 20c., 15c., 12c., 10; Sewing Machine Oil (large), 10; Royal Tooth Powder (large), 10; Colgate's 25c. and 50c. Perumes, 15c. and 35c.; Corsets, all full lengths, at just half price—P. D., P. N., J. B. Coronet.

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